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SUBJ: 24TH UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL: AGENDA ITEM 4 - CONSULTATION
ON DRAFT DECISION

REF: A. GENEVA 5250 B. GENEVA 5312

1. WORKING GROUP (WG) ON DRAFT DECISION ON AGENDA ITEM 4 (UNDP'S
ROLE AND ACTIVITIES) CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS IN LENGTHY MORNING AND
AFTERNOON/EVENING SESSIONS, JUNE 29. IN UNUSUAL DISPLAY OF SPEED,
WG ADOPTED MOST OF DRAFT DECISION, LEAVING UNTIL JUNE 30
COMPLETION OF WORK, INCLUDING PLACEMENT OF ADOPTED PARAS IN
DECISION(S). GIVEN PLANNED SPEECH OF SYG WALDHEIM TO GOVERNING
COUNCIL, IT IS NOT CLEAR WHEN WG WILL RESUME DISCUSSIONS.

2. WE DEFERRED CONSIDERATION OF PREAMBULAR PARA ON REAFFIRMATION
OF CONSENSUS, ALTHOUGH CONSENSUS APPEARS CONFIRMED ON LANGUAGE IN
PARA 6 OF REF A.

3. WG DECIDED TO BEGIN OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS WITHOUT CHAPEAU IN
PARA (A) OF CRP.6. DECISION WAS BASED ON AS YET UNCLEAR IDEA OF
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PLACEMENT OF PARAS IN ULTIMATE DECISION(S). IN SUBPARA (A) (I),
US, WITH STRONG SUPPORT OF ALMOST ALL OTHER DONOR COUNTRIES (NOT
UK) AND WITH UNUSUALLY STRONG BACKING OF CHAIR (MALIK-PAKISTAN)
PUSHED THROUGH STRONG LANGUAGE ON CENTRAL FUNDING ROLE OF UNDP.
EFFORTS BY MANY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, INDIA,
MALTA, AND GUYANA) TO INCLUDE WORDS "PRIMARY" OR "MAJOR" INSTEAD
OF "CENTRAL", OR TO LIMIT CENTRALITY BY INCLUSION OF WORD

"VOLUNATRY" BEFORE "FUNDS" FAILED AFTER STRONG INTERVENTIONS BY US, OTHER DONORS AND CHAIR POINTED OUT THAT CENTRALITY OF UNDP WAS ALREADY INCLUDED IN ECOSOC RES. 2024 AND GA RES. 31/171; A LACK OF REFERENCE TO THIS CENTRALITY WOULD THUS CONSTITUTE A SERIOUS STEP BACK. TEXT FINALLY ADOPTED READS: " AS THE CENTRAL FUNDING BODY FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE UN SYSTEM, UNDP SHOULD CONTINUE TO MOBILIZE RESOURCES FOR TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND TO MANAGE THEM EFFICIENTLY TO RESPOND EFFECTIVELY TO THE DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES."

4. DEBATE ON SUBPARA (A) (II) REGARDING BASIC NEEDS PRESENTED NO SUBSTANTIAL PROBLEMS. GIVEN HARD LOBBYING OF USDEL OVER PAST TWO WEEKS, AND GENERAL UNDERSTANDING OF US POSITION AS OUTLINED IN GOV. GILLIGAN'S SPEECH, DISCUSSION FOCUSED ON PHRASING OF LANGUAGE NOT SUBSTANCE OF CONCEPT. LANGUAGE FINALLY ADOPTED (SRI LANKAN TEXT) READS: QUOTE THAT UNDP AND THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES SHOULD EXPLORE, IN ACTIVE CONSULTATION WITH BOTH DONOR AND RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS, HOW BEST THE UN SYSTEM COULD EFFECTIVELY ASSIST THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN MEETING THEIR DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES, BEARING IN MIND THE NEED FOR INCREASING ASSISTANCE FOR THEIR PRIORITY PROGRAMS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE POOREST SECTORS. END QUOTE

5. NEW SUBPARAS, INTRODUCED BY PAKISTAN, WERE ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS:

--QUOTE MULTILATERAL TECHNICAL COOPERATION SHOULD BE DIRECTED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CLEARLY AND EXCLUSIVELY TOWARDS THE GOAL OF NATIONAL AND COLLECTIVE SELF-RELIANCE OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; END QUOTE

--QUOTE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS OF UNDP SHOULD BE INCREASINGLY ORIENTED TO BRING ABOUT TANGIBLE TRANSFERS OF TECHNOLOGY, SKILLS AND KNOW-HOW TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; END QUOTE

--QUOTE THE CONCEPTUAL GOALS OF NEW DIMENSIONS AND TCDC SHOULD BE TRANSLATED INTO OPERATIONAL AND CONCRETE PROGRAMS COVERING THE RANGE OF PRIORITIES ESTABLISHED BY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; END QUOTE

6. OLD SUBPARA (A) (III) WAS ADOPTED AS AMENDED BY FRANCE AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TECHNICAL COOPERATION OPERATIONS OF THE UN SYSTEM, THE ADMINISTRATOR SHOULD IN FULL COOPERATION WITH PARTICIPATING AND EXECUTING AGENCIES FURTHER DEVELOP EXISTING FUNCTIONS OF PLANNING, APPRAISAL AND EVALUATION OF OPERATIONS OF THIS KIND CARRIED OUT UNDER UNDP PROGRAMS, TO CONSOLIDATE THEM INTO A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM OF ANALYSIS AND FEED-BACK, SO AS TO ENABLE THE OPTIMAL USE OF RESOURCES AND A FLEXIBLE SYSTEM OF PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SUITED TO EACH PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCE. END QUOTE

7. AT INDIA' SINSISTENCE, THE FOLLOWING PARA, DRAWN FROM THE NEW DIMENSIONS DECISION, WAS ADOPTED: QUOTE REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY MEASURES TO INTRODUCE MORE FLEXIBILITY IN THE UNDP TO ENHANCE ITS DYNAMISM AND EFFECTIVENESS AND TO MAKE THE SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES AND WORKING METHODS OF THE PROGRAM MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE CHANGING NEEDS AND PRIORITIES EMERGING FROM NEW ECONOMIC CONDITIONS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. END QUOTE

8. ON THURSDAY, JUNE 30, WG ADOPTED UK TEXT ON MEETING THE NEEDS OF POOREST COUNTRIES: QUOTE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE UNIVERSALITY OF THE PROGRAM AND ITS RELEVANCE TO THE NEEDS OF ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, UNDP AND THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES SHOULD CONTINUE THEIR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EFFORTS TO MEET THE SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS OF THE LEAST DEVELOPED AND NEWLY INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES. END QUOTE

9. USSR TEXT ON UNIVERSALITY ALSO WAS ADOPTED: QUOTE UNDP SHOULD AIM AT FURTHER EXPANSION OF UNIVERSALITY BY UTILIZING THE EXPERIENCE AND CAPACITIES OF THE WIDEST POSSIBLE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES TO TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN ALL ITS FIELDS AND GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS, IN PARTICULAR THAT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. END QUOTE

10. FINALLY, IN PARA (A), U.S. ADDITIONAL TEXT WAS ADOPTED WITH MINOR CHANGES. QUOTE THE ADMINISTRATOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE EXECUTING AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY THROUGH THE IACB AND ITS SUBSIDIARY ORGANS, SHOULD CONTINUE TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES OF HARMONIZED FINANCIAL, BUDGETARY, PERSONNEL AND PLANNING FUNCTIONS OF THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM. END QUOTE

11. CHAPEAU IN PARA (B) WAS ACCEPTED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE INVITES THE ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE EXECUTING AGENCIES WITH A VIEW TO IMPROVING SUBSTANTIVE COORDINATION OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION ON THE BASIS OF THE CONSENSUS OF 1970, AND BY MEANS OF: END QUOTE

12. SUBPARA (B) (I) ON HARMONIZATION OF MULTISECTORAL CONCEPTS HAS NOT YET BEEN ADOPTED, BECAUSE OF OBJECTIONS BY BRAZIL AND MALTA, AMONG OTHERS, THAT SUCH HARMONIZATION OFTEN IMPEDES THE EFFECTIVE DELIVERY OF PROGRAMS. SUBPARA (B) (II) HAS BEEN ADOPTED WITH BRAZILIAN AMENDMENT. QUOTE PROGRESSIVE IMPROVEMENT IN THE COUNTRY AND INTER-COUNTRY PROGRAMMING PROCESS, INCLUDING IN PARTICULAR ITS IMPLEMENTATION; FOR THIS PURPOSE STUDYING FURTHER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE REPORT OF THE JIU IN THE LIGHT OF THE COMMENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL, THE UNDP ADMINISTRATOR, AND EXECUTING AGENCIES ON THIS SUBJECT. END QUOTE

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13 SUBPARA (B) (IV) WAS ADOPTED AS IN CRP. 6 WITH FOLLOWING
ADDITION QUOTE AS STIPULATED IN THE CONSENSUS OF 1970 AND ENDORSED
BY THE GA IN RESOLUTION 2688 (XXV). END QUOTE OTHER SUBPARAS IN
(B) WERE DEFERRED FOR CONSIDERATION UNDER DIFFERENT CHAPEAUS.

14. AFTER ADOPTION OF CHAPEAU TO PARA (C) (QUOTE APPEALS TO ALL
GOVERNMENTS END QUOTE), WG ADOPTED U.S. AND BRAZIL TEXT WITH
USSR AMENDMENT: QUOTE TO INCREASE THEIR VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION
TO THE MAXIMUM, WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVING AND IF POSSIBLE EVEN
EXCEEDING THE OVERALL ANNUAL GROWTH TARGET OF 14 PERCENT ESTAB-
LISHED FOR THE SECOND CYCLE. END QUOTE TAKING INTO ACCOUNT
ITALY AND FRANCE'S CONCERN OVER THE WORD QUOTE FIRM END QUOTE,
THE FOLLOWING TEXT WAS ADOPTED AS (C) (II): QUOTE TO CONSIDER
THE POSSIBILITY OF GIVING INDICATIONS OF CONTRIBUTIONS OVER A
MULTIYEAR PERIOD. END QUOTE

15. SUBPARA (C) (III) ON COHERENCE ENGENDERED SUBSTANTIAL DEBATE.
MALTA-LED OPPOSITION RESULTED IN AGREEMENT ON UK-AMENDED TEXT:
QUOTE TO CONTRIBUTE TO MAINTAINING THE COHERENCE OF THE UN SYSTEM
BY AVOIDING THE CREATION OF NEW TECHNICAL COOPERATION FUNDS WITHIN
THE UN SYSTEM IF SUCH COOPERATION CAN BE ADEQUATELY UNDERTAKEN BY
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UNDP, AND WHEREVER FEASIBLE, TO PUT SUCH EXISTING FUNDS WITHIN
THE FRAMEWORK OF UNDP. END QUOTE (IN ALL, THIS APPEARS TO BE A

STRONGER PARA THAN THE ORIGINAL).

16. NEW SWEDISH SUBPARA WAS ADOPTED: QUOTE TO BEAR IN MIND THE NEED FOR COHERENCE IN THE UN DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN GA RES 2688, IN THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES OF THE UN SYSTEM, INCLUDING THEIR GOVERNMENT BODIES. END QUOTE
U.S. PARA ON THE SPECIAL RESERVE WAS DEFERRED FOR LATER CONSIDERATION.

17. AFTER CHAPEAU OF PARA (D) (QUOTE REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATOR END QUOTE) WAS ADOPTED, LONG DEBATE OPENED ON QUOTE SHARING OF BURDEN END QUOTE PARA. FOLLOWING COMPROMISE TEXT REFLECTS GENERAL UNWILLINGNESS OF GOVERNMENTS TO ENTER NEGOTIATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT: QUOTE TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS AMONG GOVERNMENTS WITH A VIEW OF EQUITABLE SHARING OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE RESOURCES OF THE PROGRAM, WITH A VIEW TO ACHIEVE IF POSSIBLE A MULTIYEAR FINANCIAL BASIS OF THE PROGRAM FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, BEARING IN MIND THE VOLUNTARY NATURE OF THE PROGRAM'S RESOURCES. END QUOTE

18. FRG INTRODUCED IMPROVED TEXT IN (D) (II) WHICH WAS ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE AUTHORIZES THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR COST SHARING AND THIRD PARTY COST SHARING ARRANGEMENTS WITHIN GIVEN LIMITS (DP/GC/XXIV/BFC/CRP.1) , AND ACCORDING TO THE RELEVANT PARAS OF THAT DECISION END QUOTE

19. SUBPARA (D) (III) WAS ADOPTED AFTER SURPRISINGLY LITTLE DEBATE: QUOTE TO ENCOURAGE RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS AT THE UPPER LEVEL OF THE DEVELOPMENT SCALE WHO ARE IN A POSITION TO DO SO TO ACHIEVE NET CONTRIBUTOR STATUS BY EITHER INCREASING THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS OR FOREGOING THEIR IPFS. END QUOTE
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20. FINALLY, A NEW SUBPARA (INTRODUCED BY THAILAND) WAS ADOPTED AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE TO MAKE VERY EFFORT POSSIBLE TO REDUCE THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE PROGRAM, THEREBY MAKING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. END QUOTE

21. WG WILL RESUME AFTERNOON 6/30 TO CONSIDER U.S. PROPOSAL ON RESERVE, PARAS ON THE UNDP AND SYG STUDIES OF TECHNICAL COOPERATION, OTHER LEFT-OVER PARAS, AS WELL AS MORE COMPLEX ISSUE OF PLACEMENT OF ALL THE PARAS IN ONE OR MORE DECISIONS.
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